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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS  
11 INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 HOULIHAN TRADING CO. INC., *et al.*,

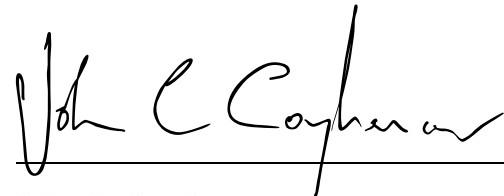
15 Defendant.

CASE NO. C22-0296-JCC

16 ORDER

17 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' motions to seal confidential financial  
18 data. (Dkt. Nos. 205, 224.) While the public has a common law right to inspect and copy public  
19 records, including those from judicial proceedings, these rights are not absolute. They must yield  
20 when (1) sealing a document serves a compelling interest, (2) that is substantially likely to be  
21 harmed if the document is not sealed, and (3) there are no less restrictive alternative means for  
22 protecting the interest. *See United States v. Doe*, 870 F.3d 991, 998 (9th Cir. 2017). Given the  
23 sensitive nature of the underlying financial information, these criteria are readily met here.  
24 Accordingly, Plaintiff's motion to seal (Dkt. No. 205) and Defendant's motion to seal (Dkt. No.  
25 224) is GRANTED and the Clerk is DIRECTED to maintain Docket Numbers 211 and 226  
26 under seal respectively.

DATED this 6th day of November 2023.



John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE